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1. The response filed 11/05/2004 has been entered and considered by the examiner.

2. Claims 1-12, 19-24, 26-40, 42-60, and 62-63 are presenting for examination.

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- 3. Claims 1-12, 19-24, 26-40, 42-49, 60, and 62 are allowed.
- 4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.
- 5. Claims 50-59 & 63 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Krishnamurthy (US Pat. No. 5,956,027).
- 6. As to claim 50, Krishnamurthy shows in Figs 1-3, a method for tracking visitors (users) to a group of virtual places (web pages) accessible via a computer network 16 (Fig 1), the method of Krishnamurthy comprising:
  - generating event indications (event-action message in the form of Yeast announcement) responsive to access by one visitor (user) to at least a first virtual place (web page), see col 3, lines 19-25, lines 55-56, lines 59-62, and;
  - conveying the event indications (event-action message in the form yeast announcement) to another user of the client (20) who is not visiting the first virtual place (web page), see col 3, lines 19-25, lines 55-56, lines 59-62.

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In conclusion, a visitor (one of the users 20 of Fig 1) is visiting one interesting virtual place (web page) and generating a Yeast announcement includes the URL of the visiting web page to another user 20 who is not visiting the web page in order to share the same virtual web page (virtual place) with the visiting user, see col 1, lines 54-60, col 4, lines 3-9, lines 29-39.

- 7. As to claim 51, the step of generating the event indications comprises initiating an observer process associated with the first virtual place (web page), so as to generate the event indications (The Yeast announcement), see col 3, lines 30-32.
- 8. As to claim 52, initiating the observer process comprises initiating observer processes at a plurality of virtual places (web pages), see col 3, lines 48-58.
- 9. As to claim 53, the virtual places comprise web pages, see col 1, lines 59-60, col 2, lines 2-3, col 3, lines 19-22, col 4, lines 8-9, lines 28-38.
- 10. As to claims 54-56, opening a synchronous communication link such as chat window and/or providing a shared application between the user and the visitor, see col 1, lines 57-60, col 3, lines 19-22, col 4, lines 29-38.
- 11. As to claims 57-59 & 63, the claims are similar in scope to claims 50-56, and they are rejected under the same rationale.

Therefore, it can be seen from paragraphs 6-11 that Krishnamurthy anticipates claims 50-59 & 63.

12. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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13. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Moustafa M Meky whose telephone number is 571-272-4005. The examiner can normally be reached on flex.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ario Etienne can be reached on 571-272-4001. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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